

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Military Construction Design Review Policy - Technical Review Conducted by Mandatory Centers of Expertise

1. Reference:

a. ER 1110-3-109, 15 July 1992, Subject: Corps-Wide Centers of Expertise Assigned to Major Subordinate Commands and Districts.

b. Memorandum, CEMP-ES, 31 May 1991, Subject: Military Construction Design Review Policy.

2. Mandatory Centers of Expertise (MCX) have exceptional specialized technical capability and have been established by HQUSACE to provide technical support to all USACE Commands involved with Military Construction. The designated services rendered by each MCX to USACE Commands are outlined in reference 1a.

3. Reference 1a requires technical reviews of district designs (in-house and A-E) of Utility Monitoring and Control Systems (UMCS), Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), Protective Design (PD), Transportation Systems (TS) be conducted by the MCX. Reference 1b delegates to the districts the design review functions previously performed by the Major Subordinate Commands (MSC). To prevent overlap of design review efforts, reduce the cost of the design, and provide the highest quality product to our customers, each district is to include the design review of reimbursable projects requiring special technical expertise by the pertinent MCX as follows:

a. For OMA and Air Force projects, each district's request for design funds should also include in their proposed in-house review costs, funds for MCX technical review. MCX reviews of MCA projects are central funded by HQUSACE as explained in reference 1a. The funds for MCX review need not be in addition to the total design funds, but should be considered part of the design funds designated for in-house technical review. The funds for MCX review shall be transferred to the MCX,

b. Each USACE design office having design responsibility involving those technical areas identified above is responsible for contacting the pertinent MCX. Review services, schedules and fees will be worked out between the design office and the MCX. Each MCX will be required to provide a schedule of MCX review fees and will be part of their program management plan. This list of fees will cover labor costs for all phases of design reviews, and limited travel and labor

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expenses for selected review conferences. This method of design review process is a
cost-effective means of assisting districts in providing our customers both high quality and
timely service.

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